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Before page 1, line 4, insert the following heading and paragraph:

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED CASES**

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/800,379, entitled "System and Method for Segmented Evaluation of Database Queries," filed March 6, 2001.